

## Iron County Register

By Eli D. Ake.

IRONTON, MISSOURI

The earth is one big, hard, uncharted rock to the crippled aviator.

When the army balloon corps is organized high privates will be in demand.

Don't hesitate to tell the census taker your age. He has sworn to be discreet.

It is estimated that out of a population of 40,000,000 in Great Britain, 12,000,000 are either under or on the poverty line.

The world over Americans have a reputation for doing things. That's why the foreign aviators at Rheims accord Curtiss so much respect.

Society must be improving since the various scorching denunciations it has received. The news comes from Newport that there is a lobster famine there.

People may not be able to explain rationally the popular sympathy with a jury that declares a man insane who recites poetry, but the sympathy is there, all the same.

Women who have won farms in the government lottery can if unmarried doubtless get all the help they need for harvesting their crops without applying to the employment agencies.

The scramble for social prestige at Newport has caused a French visitor to revive an old Gaelic witticism: "I doubt if the people would take anything like so much trouble to get into heaven."

It has been estimated that 40 per cent. of the children under eight in the public schools of London drink alcoholic liquor "more or less regularly." And yet American children are called precocious.

The latest calculations on the course of Halley's comet, approaching the earth, exhibit no point of peril for aspiring aviators. Still, comets and flying machines both have been known to do things out of the day's run.

In Chicago they have started a school for tubercular children. Most of the sessions are held in the open air, and the children are said to act as if they were having a picnic. Their routine work takes in systematic care of the teeth, breathing exercises, gymnastics and the shower bath.

There is something very pathetic in the picture of the little shah of Persia trying to kill himself because, frightened at his lonely grandeur, he wants his parents. The emptiness of high royal honors in these stormy times strikes even to the soul of a child, when he has to pay for them with his human needs.

It might have been supposed that California had enjoyed her share of earthquakes; but now while Mexican cities are partly in ruins and Spain is reporting tremors, California will feel herself fortunate at having escaped with the shake of recent date, which was so gentle that there were people in San Francisco and San Jose who did not feel it.

In his brief experience of the business of ruling an awakened people, the Shah Mohamed Ali has probably learned that there are times when wise people do best to adopt the motto: "Anything for a quiet life." He has been offered a pension of \$75,000 a year if he will restore the national jewels. The likelihood is that he will take the offer and retire into Russia.

The work of arresting chauffeurs—when they can be caught—and fining them for speeding goes merrily on, but with no appreciable diminution in the speeding. A little change in principle might work a great change in custom in this respect. If the automobile were arrested and fined and held for the payment of the fine things would soon wear a different aspect.

A new use was promptly found for the new Lincoln pennies. It seems, according to a Washington account, that they are in great demand by congressmen to present to babies in their districts, as the first issue will become in time rare coins. This use of the penny is significant in pointing the fact that in spite of its great achievements this is the age of small things—especially babies.

A New York magistrate wants the establishment of the whipping-post on account of the great number of wife-beating cases in his district. It is a pity that there is not the like of official sympathy for ill-treated wives in this state, where the whipping-post has been established by law and practically nullified by the sympathy, for some occult reason, being given to the wife-beater instead of to his victim.

A curious source of wealth is reported by the French consul at Dongtoe, in upper Tonkin. It lies in wood mines. The wood originally was pine forest, which the earth swallowed in some cataclysm. They lie in a slanting direction and in sandy soil, which covers them to a depth of about eight yards. As the top ranches are well preserved, it is thought the geological convulsion which buried them cannot be of very great antiquity. The wood furnished these timber mines is imperishable and the Chinese buy it for coffins.

The people of San Francisco have at a good example in giving Capt. Auden's sloop Gjoa, which successfully navigated the historic north-east passage, a place in a pool in Golden Gate park, where she can float safely for the benefit of visitors of the future who have an interest in geographical achievements. This plan would be followed wherever possible for the preservation of historic war vessels like "Old Ironsides" where they can lie at rest while they receive the attention to keep them from falling into decay.

## CURT REPLY CAUSE OF PEARY'S CLAIM

EXPLORER ON STEAMSHIP EXPLAINS HE PLEDGED FOLLOWERS TO SECRECY.

### DISPUTE OVER STORES IS TOLD

Repeats Charge That Supplies Were Seized and Tells of Arrangement for Eskimos and Rasmussen to Come to New York.

On Board the Steamship Oscar II, at Sea, Sept. 18, via Marconi Wireless Telegraph to Cape Race, N. C.—"Tell the people of America to have the fullest confidence in my conquest of the pole. I have records of observations made by me which will prove my claims. I shall be glad to set my foot on American soil."

This was the brief message Dr. Frederick A. Cook asked the Associated Press to give to his countrymen as he nears home on the steamer Oscar II from Norway to New York. The steamer Oscar II is due to arrive some time next Monday.

Dr. Cook discussed freely with the Associated Press correspondent the assertion of Commander Peary that he (Dr. Cook) had never reached the north pole, and drew from him a detailed story of the causes that brought about dissensions between the two explorers.

When he departed for the north, Dr. Cook said he left a depot of provisions at Anaktok, north of Etah, in charge of Rudolph Franke and several Eskimos. Franke had instructions to go south aboard a whaler and return later. This he did, but missed the returning vessel, owing to a slight illness. He was then taken aboard Peary's ship, the Roosevelt, and proceeded north.

Peary Takes Charge of Supplies. "Commander Peary found my supply depot at Anaktok," Dr. Cook continued, "and the Eskimos in charge told him that I was dead, which they fully believed to be true at the time. Peary placed two men in charge of the depot, Boatswain Murphy and another. Harry Whitney, the New Haven hunter, also remained there. Murphy had orders not to search for me, but was told that he could send Eskimos northward the following spring from the relief depot."

"When I returned from the pole, unexpectedly, Harry Whitney was the first to see me and to tell me what had occurred. Whitney was placed in possession of the facts concerning my journey to the pole, on condition that he would not inform Commander Peary or his men of them. At the same time the Eskimos who had accompanied me north were told to maintain the strictest silence."

"When I went into the depot there was a dispute between myself and Murphy, who delivered to me written instructions he had received from Peary, although he himself could neither read or write. These instructions showed that he was making a trading station of my depot, the contents of which had been used in trading for furs and skins."

Dr. Cook said he was intensely annoyed at this alleged wrongful use of his supplies and threatened to kick out Murphy and his companions. Finally, however, he consented to their remaining at the depot, as there was no other shelter in the vicinity for them.

Cook's Answer Evasive. "On one occasion Murphy asked me abruptly, 'Have you been beyond 87°?' Dr. Cook said, 'But I was determined not to let Peary know of my movements, and replied evasively that I had been much farther north. From this statement has been concocted the declaration that I had said that I had not reached the pole.'

Dr. Cook declared that neither Harry Whitney nor his (Cook's) records are on board the steamer Roosevelt and that therefore, Peary's information concerning him emanated from Boatswain Murphy, who knew nothing of his movements. Dr. Cook said also that he had made arrangements for the two Eskimos who went with him to the pole, and Knud Rasmussen, whom he met in Greenland, to go to New York and confirm the story of his discovery. Dr. Cook is thoroughly enjoying his rest aboard ship after the strenuous days at Copenhagen. He sleeps ten hours each night and spends a long time daily in writing and in walking the decks and conversing with the American passengers, who all have been formally presented to him by Benjamin Trueblood, president of the American Peace Society of Boston.

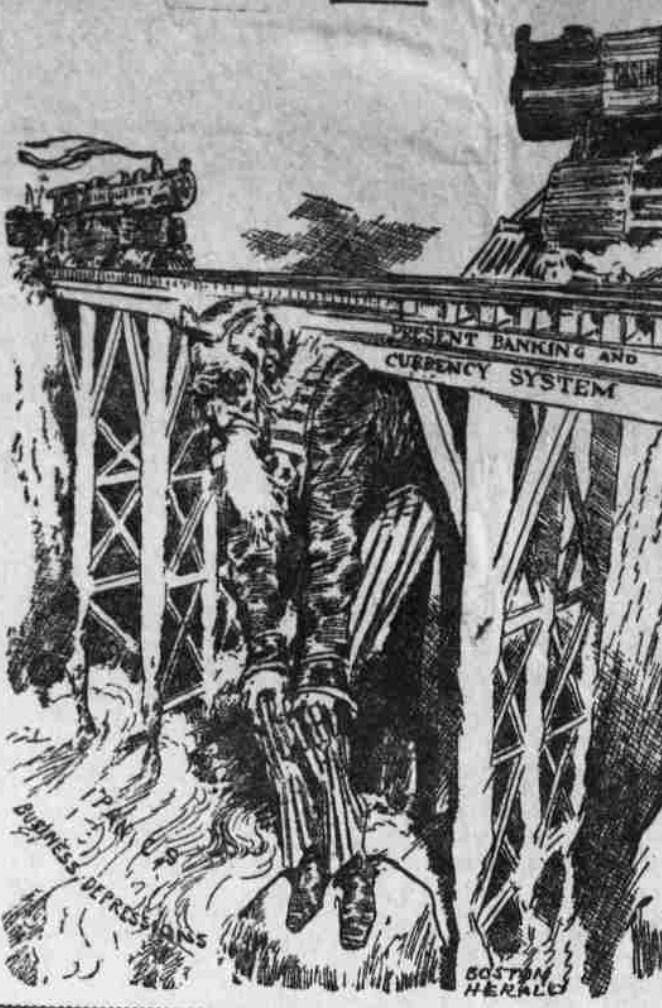
Posed as Thaw's Cousin. Vernon, Tex.—Julius Truelson, alias Jonathan G. Thaw, who posed as the cousin of Harry K. Thaw, was sentenced to two years and six months in the penitentiary, following his conviction of defrauding a local bank of \$1,000.

Appeals for Funds. Boston, Mass.—A call upon the people of Massachusetts for funds to be used in alleviating the conditions of the flood sufferers in Mexico was made by Gov. Draper.

Funds for Flood Sufferers. Washington, D. C.—Another \$2,000 has been sent by the American National Red Cross society to American Consul Hanna at Monterey, Mex., to be used for the benefit of the flood sufferers.

Harriman Estate Estimate. Newburgh, N. Y.—Mrs. Mary W. Harriman, who, by the will of her late husband, E. H. Harriman, inherits all of his estate, estimated to some friends that the total value of the estate is about \$27,000,000.

## OUT-OF-DATE BUT MADE SAFE BY THE PROP



## STRIKE TIES UP TRAFFIC

OMAHA CONDUCTORS AND MOTORMEN WALK OUT.

Trouble Followed a Long Conference Between Company, Men and Association.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 18.—All the lines of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Co. were practically tied up by a strike as the result of the unanimous vote of the Street Car Men's union at two meetings, one Friday afternoon and the other at an early hour Saturday morning.

The vote in favor of the strike followed a long conference between Gordon W. Watlies, president of the company, and representatives of the Business Men's association and a committee representing the street railway men, headed by O. O. Pratt, one of the international vice-presidents of the organization.

At the close of the last meeting both Mr. Pratt and Ben Commons, a member of the international executive board, stated that the men had voted to authorize a strike, the time to be named by the executive committee.

It was intimated then that the call might not be issued for some days, but other the statements were misleading or the officials changed their mind before time to start the cars Saturday morning, for not a union man went to work.

No statement was made as to the number of men who would go out, but not more than one in fifteen or twenty of the regular cars were in service. There is no disorders.

Treat Quits Treasury. Washington, D. C.—Charles H. Treat of New York resigned as treasurer of the United States, the resignation to take effect some time in October. He gives as his reasons his interest in a large and growing business, and the death of some of his associates who had formerly directed his affairs.

Receiver for Refrigerator Company. Kansas City, Mo.—John S. Parks, of Kansas City, was appointed receiver for the Merchants Refrigerator company of this city by Judge Phillips in the United States district court. The refrigerating company failed in October, 1907, with approximately \$900,000 in creditors' claims.

Paulhan Wins Another Prize. Ostend, Belgium.—Louis Paulhan, the French aviator, won the \$1,000 prize by flying two kilometers on the beach here in three minutes 15.3 seconds. After winning the prize, Paulhan took a trip out over the sea.

Wright Flies High. Berlin, Germany.—Orville Wright in the presence of the Empress, Princess Louise, Prince Adalbert, Prince August and a large party, broke the record for high flights. He attained a height of 233 metres (765 feet).

Boundary Dispute Settled. LaPaz, Bolivia.—Minister of Foreign Affairs Bustamante and the Peruvian minister to Bolivia signed a protocol for the settlement of the differences that long have existed between Peru and Bolivia over the boundary question.

Jap Consul Injured. Honolulu.—Consul General Suyemo of Japan, is seriously injured and his coachman believed to be dying as the result of an accident, when their carriage was struck by an automobile near Honolulu.

Chief of Police Suspended. Oklahoma City, Okla.—John Hubka, chief of police of this city, was suspended temporarily by Mayor Seales, as a result of an investigation started in connection with alleged violations of the liquor laws.

Receiver for Woolen Mills. Louisville, Ky.—Suit for the appointment of a receiver for the Mayfield Woolen Mills Co., a Missouri corporation capitalized at \$1,200,000, has been filed in the United States district court.

Street Car Kills Athlete. Sterling, Ill.—Henry Osterhout, member of the senior class of this city, high school and promising athlete, was killed by being struck by a street car on the Sterling, Dixon & Eastern electric railway.

## FIVE HIGHWAYMEN DYNAMITE TRAIN

MASKED MEN COMPEL ENGINEER TO ESCORT THEM TO EXPRESS CAR.

### SAFE CARRIED \$25,000 IN GOLD

Strong Box Resists Repeated Charges of Explosives and Bandits Ride Away on Horses Concealed Near Scene of Hold-Up.

Leadville, Colo.—Before the dawn of day Friday morning posses were scouring the plains in every direction in an attempt to capture five bandits who held up the Denever & Rio Grande passenger train near Malta, Colo., and dynamited the express car, in the effort to procure the \$25,000 in gold that was known to be in the express car's safe.

The passenger train, No. 5, was running in two sections. The first section was allowed to pass unmolested. The second section was a double header, and it was to this train that the express car bearing the treasure was attached.

The robbers were apprised of every movement, for no attempt was made to board the first section. When the second section, a "double-header," stopped at Malta, the robbers were concealed behind the shadows cast by the large railroad tank. While the second engine was taking water the desperadoes were concealed beneath the tank, and when the fireman turned to enter the engine's cab the five train robbers emerged and, favored by the darkness, swung on between the tender and the express car without being detected.

So quiet were their movements the engineer and firemen did not suspect their presence until they were looking down at gleaming barrels of four revolvers, one in each hand of the two robbers.

The command of hands up was obeyed instantly. The tone in which the commands were given and the look in the eyes behind the black masks convinced the engine's crew that refusal meant instant death. The engineer was commanded to slow up his engine, and one robber remained covering both the engineer and fireman, while two others crawled over the first engine and repeated the performance.

The train was brought to a standstill at a lonely point selected by the robbers.

Robbers took their station at the head of the train and fired a fusillade down each side to terrify the passengers.

Other robbers pounded on the door of the express car and commanded the messenger to open it. He made no move to comply. The desperate robbers were prepared for this refusal. Dynamite, a large quantity of which they carried for the purpose, was produced and a powerful charge placed against the door.

The robbers retreated a few yards and the fuse was lighted. It burned quickly, emitting ominous flashes, and in a few moments a great explosion, which frightened the passengers even more than the fusillade, shook the entire train and shattered the door of the express car into splinters.

The force of the explosion hurled the messenger and his assistant against the side of the car and rendered them unconscious. Three robbers sprang into the opening made by the dynamite and proceeded at once to the safe where the \$25,000 in gold reposed. They repeatedly tried to dynamite the safe.

By this time the passengers had recovered from their first fright, and, headed by the conductor and train crew were pouring out of the coaches and sleeping cars.

Realizing that they would stand no show in a fight against such numbers, the robbers sprang from the express car.

Mounting horses they had concealed at the spot selected for the hold-up, and after firing another fusillade at the passengers and train crew, the robbers fled in the darkness.

Gov. Johnson Is Improving. Rochester, Minn.—Governor Johnson's condition this morning has showed decided improvement and his physicians are much encouraged over the outlook for his recovery. The governor has shown a gradual improvement during the last 24 hours.

Illinois Pioneer Dead. Montrose, Iowa.—John Haas, a pioneer of Nauvoo, Ill., and proprietor of the opera house, is dead. He was a former alderman, and was about 70 years old.

Nevada, Mo.—Her part in an attempted jail delivery here, told to the authorities by the two men she had tried to help escape, 15-year-old Ada Depatt, fearing the consequences of her act, shot herself. She is not expected to live.

Safeguard For Carriers. Washington, D. C.—Mail carriers are not required to deliver mail at residences where vicious dogs are permitted to run at large, is a new regulation adopted by the postoffice department.

Shot While Making Raid. Beaumont, Texas.—County Attorney Nicks, of Newton county, was shot and killed while he, with other officers was raiding a negro gambling place near Newton, the county seat. Tom Wilson, charged with firing the fatal shot, is still at large.

College Chapel Destroyed. Fulton, Mo.—Fire Friday night destroyed the main building and chapel of Westminster college here, the loss aggregating \$50,000.

## HOW HE DID THE CHORES

Wound Up the Music Box and Put His Corkscrew in the Barometer.

"You needn't wait for me," explained the head of the house; "I have a dinner engagement, an important business affair, and no doubt I shall be kept quite late."

At breakfast next morning an ominous silence had fallen upon all. The head of the house had no appetite and was evidently far from feeling well. After a painful silence the husband, without meeting his wife's eye, essayed to start conversation.

"It's funny about that clock," he said. "It's stopped, and I'm sure I wound it last night."

"You are mistaken," said his wife, icily; "you wound up Willie's music box instead and it played 'Home, Sweet Home' till daylight. The clock in the hall has also stopped, but I find that you screwed your corkscrew into the barometer."

### COVERED WITH HIVES.

Child a Mass of Dreadful Sores, Itching, Irritating Humor for 2 Months—Little Sufferer in Terrible Plight.

Disease Cured by Cuticura.

"My six year old daughter had the dreadful disease called hives for two months. She became affected by playing with children who had it. By scratching she caused large sores which were irritating. Her body was a complete sore but it was worse on her arms and back. We employed a physician who left medicine but it did not help her and I tried several remedies but without avail. Seeing the Cuticura Remedies advertised, I thought I would try them. I gave her a hot bath daily with Cuticura Soap and anointed her body with Cuticura Ointment. The first treatment relieved the itching and in a short time the disease disappeared. Mrs. George L. Fridhoff, Warren, Mich., June 30 and July 13, 1908."

Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

### FOR A SONG.



Thomas Tabby—Yes, I fitted up my flat at a ridiculously low price. In fact, it cost me but a song.

Tabby Tiger—A song?

Thomas Tabby—Well, you see, I started up a solo on the back fence at 2 a. m. and the donations I received in the shape of furniture, etc., just filled the bill.

Itching Piles Permanently Cured by a Jar of Resinol Ointment.

About three weeks since I was suffering agony from itching piles, I got a sample jar of Resinol and after bathing with warm water and applying the Resinol, I was in a few days entirely relieved of the itching and believe I am permanently cured.

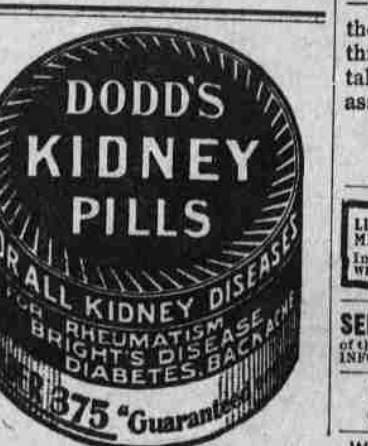
W. W. Evans, Carrollton, Ky.

May Limit Hat Pins.

In Paris, owing to the increasing length of women's hat pins and the list of accidents, such as eyes put out, ears, noses and cheeks torn, the police officials propose to place some restrictions on wearing hat pins in omnibuses, railway cars, theaters and other public places.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. You pay 10c for cigars not so good.

Many a man attributes his business success to the fact that his wife needs the money.



W. N. U., ST. LOUIS, MO. 39-1909.

Hypocrite in the Hereafter. Dr. Madison C. Peters was discussing the question, "Will the coming man marry?" He instanced a certain type of bachelor.

"This man," he said, "is a hypocrite. He uses his religion as a cloak."

"And what will he do in the next world, eh?" said the reporter.

"Oh," said Dr. Peters, "he won't need any cloak there."

The board of agriculture, industry and commerce has been granted leave to establish a factory to manufacture authentic weights and measures for uniform use throughout the empire of China.

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W. N. U., ST. LOUIS, MO. 39-1909.

## Opening of Cheyenne River Indian Reservation (2,800,000 Acres)

Register for a free homestead October 4th to 23rd. The Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington has designated

**Le Beau and Aberdeen, S. Dak.** as registration points. These cities are reached best by the Iowa Central Ry. and

**The Minneapolis & St. Louis R. R.** Le Beau is the Gateway to the Reservation and the only registration point where the lands can be seen from the town.

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